

REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register: 05 December 1997
 Name of applicant/court: Secretary for Internal Affairs
 Applicant to the Labelling Body: Not Applicable
 Title of Publication: Trilogy of the Bizarre
 Other Known Titles: She Male 6
 Director: Not Stated
 Producer: Not Stated
 Publisher: Not Applicable
 Author: Not Applicable
 Format: Video Recording VHS/PAL
 Country of Origin: Not Stated
 Language: English

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Components of film originally examined:

Feature:	Trilogy of the Bizarre	Running time:	54.09
Trailers:	She Males Volume 1	Running time:	7.07
	She Males Volume 2		8.31
	She Males Volume 3		6.52
	She Males Volume 4		4.31
	She Males Volume 5		4.12
		Total Running time:	85.22

Excision/Alteration: No.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has not been given.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The video recording entitled *Trilogy of the Bizarre* is classified as:
Objectionable.

The video recording contains explicit scenes of sexual activity, almost all of which feature a transgendered person. One scene in the video recording depicts the use of coercion to compel a person to participate in sexual conduct. The scene depicts a male breaking into a house, and forcing the lone female inside the house to fellate him. The scene is heavily stylised but its titillatory intent means it tends to endorse the act of coercion. The video recording therefore tends to promote and support the use of coercion to compel a person to participate in sexual conduct. This material is deemed to be objectionable under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 (FVPC Act). The excision of this scene was recommended.

Another scene in the video recording is considered to strongly degrade one of its female participants. In the scene, two females are cast in the roles of dominant and submissive. The submissive female is subjected to high levels of verbal abuse, and is physically threatened by the dominant female. Despite the role-play that is evident in this scenario, its degrading elements are very strong, and the excision of this scene was also recommended.

If the above two scenes were excised, the publication would be restricted in availability to an adult audience, due to its sexually explicit content. However, the distributor of the publication failed to respond within the specified time period to the excision notice sent out by the Classification Office.

The rights and freedoms outlined in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 cannot be applied to this publication, as it contains material that is deemed to be objectionable under s3(2) of the FVPC Act.

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